# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# FINANCE
# LOK SABHA

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LOK NAYAK JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN FUND
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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

(a)whether the Union Government has announced setting up of Lok Nayak Jai Prakash Narayan Fund;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of other schemes in the agricultural sector earmarked for funding through the above fund, Scheme-wise; and

(d) the names of various constituents with the assistance to which NABARD has formulated the above scheme ?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S.PALANIMANICKAM)

(a) to (d): Consequent to the announcement made on 3rd February, 2004 in the Interim Budget for the year 2004-05, Lok Nayak Jai Prakash Narayan Fund(LNJPNF) was set up with NABARD with a corpus of Rs. 50,000/- crores for a period of three years upto 31st March, 2007. With the operationalisation of LNJPNF the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund(RIDF) was closed. Subsequently, with the announcement made in the Budget 2004-05, RTDF-X was revived w.e.f. 8th July, 2004 by setting up a corpus of Rs. 8000 crores for RIDF-X with the NABARD. Projects supported by the State Governments in the following activities will be eligible for financing under RIDF-X

1. Rural Roads;
2. Rural Bridges;
3. Minor Irrigation Projects/Micro Irrigation;

4. Soil Conservation;

5. Flood Protection;
6. Watershed Development/Reclamation of waterlogged areas;

7. Drainage;

8. Forest Development;

9. Market Yard/Godown, Apca andi, Rural Haats and other marketing infrastructure;

10. Cold Storage: Public or Joint Sector cold storage at various exit points;

11. Seed/Agriculture/Horticulture Farms:

12. Plantations and Horticulture;

13. Grading and certifying mechanisms such as testing and certifying laboratories, etc.

14. Community irrigation wells for irrigation purposes for the village as a whole;

15. Fishing harbour/jetties;

16. Riverine Fisheries;

17. Animal Husbandry;

18. Modern Abattoir.

19. Medium Irrigation Projects

20. Mini Hydel Projects

21. Drinking water

22. School Buildings and

23. Public Health Institution